

BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY

MINUTES OF THE OPEN SESSION OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS HELD ON
THURSDAY, APRIL 19, 1984 AT 1:45 P.M., H-769, SGW CAMPUS

ATTENDANCE: Present were: Mr. D. W. McNaughton, Chairman, Mr. W. E. McLaughlin, O.C., Chancellor, Mr. M. J. Bourgault, C.M., Dr. R. W. Breen, Mr. R. Burns, Dr. J. S. Daniel, Mr. J. Dinsmore, Mr. T. Fenwick, Mr. G. T. Fisher, Me. A. Gervais, Ms. F. Griffiths, Dr. S. Hoecker-Drysdale, Dr. M. Hogben, Mr. S. Huza, Prof. C. Jackson, Dr. M. Laroche, Ms. M. Lashley, Mr. F. Longpré, Prof. G. Martin, Mr. Paul E. Martin, Ms. S. Murray, Dr. J. W. O'Brien, Dr. T. S. Sankar, Prof. G. Waters, Rev. A. Graham, S.J., Secretary.

Guest: Dr. P. Kenniff.

DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED AND ATTACHED TO THESE MINUTES

BG-84-5-D19	-	Transportation Management Centre.
BG-84-5-D20	-	Operating Budget for CCSL.
BG-84-5-D24	-	Loyola Past Service.
BG-84-5-D25	-	Fund-Raising Campaign will not be affected.
BG-84-5-D26	-	Differential Fee Increase.

1. Introduction

1.2 It was moved and seconded (Bourgault, Daniel) and unanimously RESOLVED:

THAT the minutes of the open session of March 15, 1984, be approved.

2. No Business Arising from the Minutes.

3. Transferred and treated at the closed session under 3.1.

4. Transferred and treated at the closed session under 3.2.

5. Loyola Past Service

Motion withdrawn.

6. International Student Fees

It was moved and seconded (Martin, Gervais)

THAT the fees charged international students:

- (a) for students who registered for the first time in summer 1984 term be \$195 per credit;*
- (b) for students who have completed one or more terms of any programme prior to the summer of 1984 term be \$145 per credit;*
- (c) for students with special status resulting from Quebec government ententes be the same as that paid by Quebec students.*

A memorandum (BG-84-5-D26) signed by the four undergraduate student governors was distributed; attached thereto are five numbered annexes and two documents, one entitled "Some Facts - Some Myths, More Myths" and the second entitled "Strategy Behind Refusing to Collect the Increase" (18 pages). Referring to these documents, Ms. Lashley argued that the government documents contained a loophole and suggested that the University avail itself of this opportunity and not collect the recently added student fees, at least until we had made our opposition to the government regulations more obvious.

Vice-Rector Martin and Rector O'Brien stressed the fact that the government, having announced would remove the money directly from the Concordia grant and would either reject our "loophole" or would remain unconvinced for so long that the University would suffer substantial loss. Furthermore, the political impact of Concordia acting alone would probably be minimal. We have been vigorously protesting the increase over the past year; the government is aware of our concern and opposition. Prof. Waters inquired whether potential graduate students enrolled in a qualifying year could be re-assigned in such a way that they would not have to pay the extra fee. Vice-Rector Martin undertook to examine such questions, but pointed out the limitations on such flexibility. Mr. Fisher expressed the opinion that we should do everything possible to induce the government to understand the ultimate advantages of foreign students to the Canadian economy. These include both diplomatic and trade advantages. In the long run, students trained in Canada return to their own countries and tend to establish business ties with the country where they have received their education. Perhaps CIDA may be willing to help financially with bursaries. During subsequent discussion, joint action with other universities was stressed as well as the possibility of finding scholarships and bursaries for international students. The suggestion that we delay implementation of the government regulations was opposed by Vice-Rector Martin who pointed out that, unless immediate action was taken, the University would lose a substantial sum of money from summer students.

VOTE: The question was put and RESOLVED in the affirmative: 14 in favour, 6 against.

7. It was moved and seconded (G. Martin. Gervais) and unanimously RESOLVED:

THAT the students association fees charged by CUSA be raised from \$7.50 to \$1.80 per credit.

8. Report on the Agreement between the University and the Faculty Union

Dr. Daniel very briefly affirmed the fact that a settlement had been reached by arbitration between the University and the Faculty union. The final, signed version had not yet been received.

It was moved and seconded (Waters, Hoecker-Drysdale) and RESOLVED in the affirmative:

1. THAT the Board request from the relevant administrators an analytic report on the CUFA contract negotiations with particular attention to the process and length of negotiations; the process of reporting to the Board; and the process of implementing the agreement, including the establishment of the liaison committee.

2. THAT the Board invite CUFA to submit a similar document.

3. THAT the Board receive these documents initially in closed session.

VOTE: 11 in favour, 2 against, 3 abstentions.

9. Transportation Management Centre

Dr. Daniel stated that he wished to introduce a revised motion ion concerning the Transportation Management Centre discussed at the October and November meetings of the Board. Several questions were asked concerning the nature of the Centre, the financial commitments of the University to the Centre and the work being done. Dr. Daniel affirmed that no additional financial resources are required by the Centre.

It was moved and seconded (Daniel, Fisher) and RESOLVED:

WHEREAS the Faculty of Commerce and Administration has established the Concordia Transportation Management Centre with the purposes and functions set out in the attached.

THAT the Concordia Transportation Management Centre is an officially recognized Centre in the University.

10 & 11 Student Services Operating Budget and Annual Fees

Dr. Breen Introduced the Provisional Operating Budget for Student Services (BG-84-5-D20 and CCSL-84-3-D1) included a proposed Increase in the student services fee. Several governors asked questions, particularly concerning the Athletic Department and varsity sports and stated disapproval particularly of the athletic portion of the budget. Dr. Breen pointed out that the CCSL had carefully studied the activities of all the departments under its jurisdiction including athletics. It was moved and seconded (Breen, Huza)

THAT the student services fee be changed from 17.5% of tuition to 20% of tuition effective 1st May, 1984.

AMENDMENT: It was moved and seconded (Waters, Hoecker-Drysdale)

THAT the portion of the budget attributed to the Dean of Students and the office of Guidance Service be approved;

THAT the portion attributed to the Department of Athletics be held at the same figure as last year and the difference between last year's figure and the proposed figure for this year be investigated and made the subject of a future resolution.

Amendment Vote: DEFEATED: 8 opposed, 6 in favour.

Original Motion Vote: Passed: 8 in favour, 6 opposed.

It was moved and seconded (Breen, Huza) and RESOLVED in the affirmative, 11 in favour, 4 opposed:

THAT the budget for the Concordia Council on Student Life (CCSL) accompanying BG-94-5-D20 and CCSL-84-3-DI and titles "Provisional Operating Budget Fiscal 1984-85" and dated 26th March, 1984, be approved.

12. Report of the Rector

The Rector stated that the recent press report indicating government delay of our new library construction is disappointing, but perhaps not as negative as might appear. This act was not specifically against Concordia; all Quebec universities are similarly affected. It can be hoped that the delay, caused by the provincial government's financial difficulty, may be shortlived.

13. Dr. Sankar called the attention of the members to the fact that one of the engineering students, Mr. Stephen Roebuck, displayed Initiative In getting his picture in the press and thereby helping publicize Concordia.
14. The next meeting will take place on Thursday, May 17, 1984, 6:00 p.m. for 6:30 p.m. AD-312, Loyola Campus.
15. The meeting terminated at 2:50 p.m.

Aloysius Graham, S.J.,
Secretary